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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: GRIPPER AND METHOD OF OPERATING THE SAME

## **AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 4, 2007, and having a period for response set to expire on January 4, 2008.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.